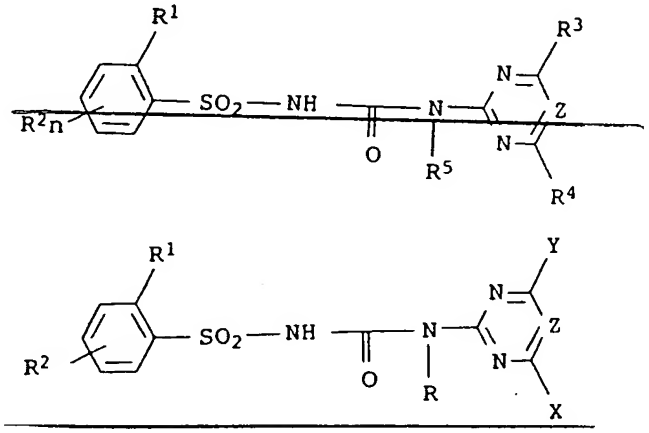
IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph at page 7, line 36 to page 9, line 5 as follows:

Particular preference is given to sulfonylureas of the formula III (equivalent to the formula I where $J=J_1$) as known, for example, from EP-A 388 873, EP-A 559 814, EP-A 291 851 and EP-A 446 743:



(III)

where:

R^1 is C_1-C_4-alkyl, which may carry from one to five of the following groups: methoxy, ethoxy, SO_2CH_3, cyano, chlorine, fluorine, SCH_3, $S(O)CH_3$;

halogen;

a group ER^{19}, in which E is O, S or NR^{20};

$COOR^{12}$;

NO_2;

$S(O)_nR^{17}$, $SO_2NR^{15}R^{16}$, $CONR^{13}R^{14}$;

R^2 is hydrogen, methyl, halogen, methoxy, nitro, cyano, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy or methylthio,

Y is F, CF_3, CF_2Cl, CF_2H, OCF_3, OCF_2Cl, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy;

X is C_1-C_2-alkoxy, C_1-C_2-alkyl, C_1-C_2-alkylthio, C_1-C_2-alkylamino, di-C_1-C_2-alkylamino, halogen, C_1-C_2-haloalkyl, C_1-C_2-haloalkoxy,

R is hydrogen or methyl;

R^{19} is C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_2-C_4-alkenyl, C_2-C_4-alkynyl or C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl, each of which may carry from 1 to 5 halogen atoms. Furthermore, in the case that E is O or NR^{20}, R^{19} is also methylsulfonyl, ethylsulfonyl, trifluoromethylsulfonyl, allylsulfonyl, propargylsulfonyl or dimethylsulfamoyl;

R^{20} is hydrogen, methyl or ethyl;

R^{12} is a C_1-C_4-alkyl group which may carry up to three of the following radicals: halogen, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, allyl or propargyl;

R^{17} is a C_1-C_4-alkyl group which may carry from one to three of the following radicals: halogen, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, allyl or propargyl;

R^{15} is hydrogen, a C_1-C_2-alkoxy group or a C_1-C_4-alkyl group;

R^{16} is hydrogen or a C_1-C_4-alkyl group,

R^{13} is H, C_1-C_4-alkyl, or C_1-C_4-alkoxy;

R^{14} is C_1-C_4-alkyl;

~~n is 1 or 2,~~

Z is N, CH.

Amend the paragraph at page 9, lines 25-26 as follows:

Very particular preference is given to those compounds of the formula III which are

listed in the table below ~~, and wherein n is 1~~.